



Town of Tyngsborough Community Preservation Committee

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Meeting Minutes February 25, 2009 Members Attendance:

Present: Linda Geyer (LG), Warren Allgrove (WA), Eric Lantz (EL), Ken Times (KT), Ed Smith (ES), Jim Miller (JM)

Absent: Christine Chisholm (CC), Mark Rohrbaugh (MR), Rich Lemoine (RL)

Guests: Jill and John Bowen, Joy Richardson

Meeting Location: Town Hall, Community Room

Chairperson, Linda Geyer, called the February 25, 2009 meeting of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to order at 7:05PM.

Agenda Item 1 – Historic Committee

1. Guests – We would like to see a commitment from this committee to the restoration of the Old Town Hall. (LG) - We are interested in restoring the Old Town Hall and we are pursuing the Town Center plan. We spent \$1.1 million for the Shur-fine market recently for the town center. We have looked at the marketing analysis in respect to the Old Town Hall and the use of the building for a community building rather than a condominium. (ES) – I think that of the three buildings that need saving in town the Old Town Hall is the

most important. (WA) - I think that most people would like all the old town buildings preserved. (LG) – I really feel that our next priority is the town center. The last investment cost estimate to restore the Old Town Hall that we received exceeded \$2.8 Million. We have had a large emphasis on open space as a mandate from the Master Plan. The Master Plan has also made recommendations for the use of the Old Town Hall. (EL) – I think that we all agree that we support some type of preservation of the Old Town Hall but we need to see it done fiscally responsibly and not tie the hands of our committee for the next several years. **Motion (WA), 2nd (KT) – that the CPC commit to the expenditure of all future unreserved funds not already allocated for past expenditures gathered from the Community Preservation Act will be reserved for Town Hall development, restoration and preservation. In Favor: JM, WA, KT, ES. Opposed: EL, LG. Motion passes 4 - 2.**

Agenda Item 2 – **Unitarian Church**

1. (LG) – From Town Counsel: Ordinary maintenance to the building such as painting cannot be covered by CPC funds.

Motion to adjourn by (KT), 2nd (JM) 8:55 PM. Voice vote: passed unanimously.

Next scheduled meeting of the CPC is for March 25th at 7:00pm at the Town Hall.